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In re Application of

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Customer Number: 20277

Naoki KUBO, et al.

Confirmation Number: 3128

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Group Art Unit: 1722

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Examiner: THEISEN, Mary Lynn F.

For: THREE-DIMENSIONAL MOLDING APPARATUS AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL MOLDING METHOD

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
 Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27
 Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	19	26	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	9	10	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$0.00
					\$0.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$0.00

- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.
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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2004.

Amendments to the claims appear in the current claim list that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.